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**NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s): Kurt F. Fischer and Ken Taggart

For (title): **AIR BAG WITH ACTIVE TEAR STITCH TETHERS**

Enclosed are:

1. **Papers Required for Filing Date Under 37 CFR 1.53(b):**

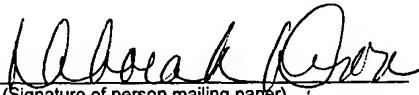
24 Pages of specification  
1 Pages Abstract  
7 Pages of claims  
5 Sheets of drawing  
 formal (Figs. )  
 informal

In addition to the above papers there is also attached: Information Disclosure Statement, PTO 1449 form

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10**

I hereby certify that this New Application Transmittal and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date September 15, 2003 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number ET924150874 addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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6. **Fee Calculation:**  
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CLAIMS AS FILED				
Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee	
			\$ 750.00	
Total Claims	19	-20 =	X \$ 18.00	-0-
Independent Claims	1	- 3 =	X \$ 84.00	-0-
Multiple dependent claim(s), if any			+ \$280.00	

- Amendment canceling extra claims enclosed
- Amendment deleting multiple dependencies enclosed
- Fee for extra claims is not being paid at this time

Filing Fee Calculation **\$750.00**

7. **Small Entity Statement**

- The present application is being filed by or on behalf of a **small entity** as defined in 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 for purposes of paying reduced fees.

8. **Fee Payment Being Made At This Time:**

Enclosed:

- basic filing fee **\$750.00**
- assignment recordal fee **\$40.00**
- for processing an application with a specification in a non-English language **\$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Total fees enclosed** **\$790.00**

9. **Method of Payment Fees:**

- check in the amount of **\$790.00** enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any **DEFICIENCY** in the filing fees for this application to our Deposit Account No. 20-0090.

10. **Instructions As to Overpayment:**

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2. Declaration orath:

Enclosed (Executed)  
 Not Enclosed.

3. Language:

English  
 Non-English  
 A verified English translation of the  
 specification and claims  
 declaration

is attached.

4. Assignment:

An assignment of the invention to TRW Vehicle Safety Systems Inc.

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5. Certified Copy:

Certified copy (ies) of application (s)

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